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1. Attached /under separate cover is the memory of Albanian intelligence promised Javelin at the ONOFUS/VALUABLE meeting in October.

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2. Please pass to Javelin our apolagion for the delay in preparing the document. We will endeavor in the future to maintain the agreed schedule for these summaries, namely 1 May and 1 Movember.

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# Preinings

Approximately is junter officers from various arms and services of the Albanian Army are currently undergoing training courses in Stalingred, USSA. These officers are all in their early twenties and represent officer cadre potentials for the Albanian Army. This group left Albania in 1950 and is scheduled to return in 1954.

(Source: From an Albanian refugee) DA 31 March 1953

#### Soviet Officers:

Theres SINCLAS, who escaped to Greece on the motor launch DYNASO, witnessed the arrival of 100 high ranking Soviet Haval and Coast Artillery Officers at Durres. The officers arrived on the SS THANSTIVAMIA (Assemble) in late August. Hine of the officers have been assigned in Saranda and 21 have been assigned to various military installations in Vione, Island of Sasano and the Earaburum Feminasia.

DA Heresber 1951

## 2) Cometal Brigade:

Headquarters of the 23 Coastel Brigade is located in two buildings in Durres. These buildings have been described as constructed during the Indian occupation. This Brigade consists of four artillary bettalions and one anti-aircraft battalion. It is under the direct control of the Ministry of Peoples Defense.

(Source: From a former member of the brigade) DA 13 July 1953

#### Fortifications:

Open trench explanements forming a signed pattern have been observed on the heights above the term of Bobshtice and facing the Greek border. These trenches are approximately 1.75 meters deep, 30 centimeters wide and extend for approximately 300 meters. Below the trenches there are 10-12 machine gun explanements constructed of logs and stone and covered with a log roof. Each explanement is capable of holding 5-6 men and in well canouflaged to blend with the surrounding area.

(Source: Informents in Albania) DELLE 3953

# ALP

The Albenian air force consists of approximately 1) Seviet YAS-)'s and MO pilote.

(Source: Usually reliable inforcent) 1001 1953

A new runway 200 feet wide and undetermined length is being constructed parallel to the old runway at Berat.

(Source: Usually raliable informant) 1001 August 1953

Comment: Tugoclay overt sources quoting refugees have reported that this new running is being constructed to accordate jet planes.

## SECURITY

## Border Guards

Berier patrole are usually manned by 3 to 5 men, nost of whom are armed with German type weapons. Patrole are on duty for 1-hour periods.

(Source: Informante from Eorce) DOI October 1953

Berder guard posts in the Kukes area have been reported at Gjegjen, Halbor, Podhreg, Sapot, Orgjoste, Mberje, Shistevic, Topojen, Amesadh, Khah, Pagaj, Shalqin, Kishaj, and Peraj.

(Deurge: An Albanian refugee from Kukes) DA 6 March 1953

Comment: The 31: Border Coard Battalion has its headquarters at Eukes and may be the parent organization for the guard posts.

#### Printer:

There are at present approximately 650 immates in the "Enemy of the Peoples Prison" in Korco. The prison director is Captain Boktash MELCANI, his assistant is Warrant Officer Cerim GJERGJEVIUM. About 50 prison quarks are used at this prison.

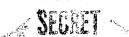
Prisoners at the "Metropolitan Prison" in Euros have been convicted of political primes only, and are serving sentences of 5 years or less. In general these prisoners have been convicted for failure to meet their tax obligations or unable to fill their prescribed produce quotas.

(Source: Pairly reliable informant) DOI September 1953

#### ECONOMIC

### Importe:

Estimated total of future imports in thousands of rubles for Albania during 1953, 1954, and 1955: Seviet Union - 75.5, Osechoslovakia - 18.3,



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Poland - 24.8, Rungary - 13.3, Assania - 26.2, Sastern Germany - 18.7, Bulgaria - 16.0.

(Bourse: Refugee informant) TA July 1953

# Consodity Prices:

The following is a comparison of the official and free market prices of scleeted food items in the Saranda area, as of August 1953:

144	Ufficial Price	Free Namet Price		
l liter olive oil	50 1ek	260 lak		
1 kilo flour	8 lak	75 lek		
1 kilo rice	24 100	200 Lek		
1 kilo mesercai	22 lek	80 Lek		
1 kilo butter	200 lek	\$50 lek		
1 kilo fuel oil	25 1ek	75 lek		

(Source: Refoges and other informants) TA August 1953

## Maritime Shipping:

The following vessels have stopped at Albanian ports for cargo operations from July-Movember 1953:

38	AMAZZONE (Italian tenker)	gifte some thinks is	MARAGAIRO (Panamanian tanker)
3	ARMA MARIA RUMBIARN (Finaled)	80	MARCHELEMENT (Polish)
03	REMESINA (Numberian)	36	MARIA HOMIKOS (Greek tanker)
89	WILMETA (Bulgarian)	28	MICHURIN (Soviet)
33	CRIATURY (Seviet)	üs	MINA (mession)
80	DORROUDJA (Bulgarian)	LE,	MICHOLA VAPTIANDY (Bulgarian)
SE	HALLA (Polish)		ALILIAVAN (Turkish)
時形	PETEDERICH MOBILS (Resentan)	339	PUNIA CREEK (Italian tarker)
	CHECK TOWT (Darket)		ROMERA (Bulgarian)
	IEDJA (Swedich)		SALLING (Danish)
	IMANDRA (Seviet)		STAVURA (Italian tanker)
	KEMAL STAFA (Albenian)		MULIKA (ibmandan)
	KHUSTO SKINDENKI (Bulgarian)		TRANSTINATIA (Rumanian)
	KCLOBRERG (Polish)		UTRICH (Soviet tenker)
	KOTOVALI (Saviet)		TEUTA (Albanian)
	KRUSAA (Dankah)		VANIGUTTI (Italian tanker)
	LEETONTOV (Seviet)		VOROSTULDY (Sorlet)
	LIKA WAEROK (Denish)	55	ZIOARA (Turicleh)

(Source: Shipping circles) DOI 1953

### Petrolem Shipmente:

From January to October 1953 total petroleum and petroleum product importe have been approximately 20,000 tons while total petroleum emporte have been 100,000 tons.

(Source: Shipping circles) DOI 1953.

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